

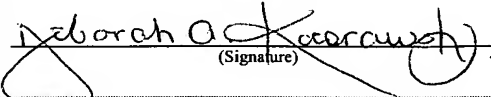
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- ☒ Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 (4 pages).
- ☒ Form PTO-1449 (2 pages) listing 45 references, enclosing seven (7).

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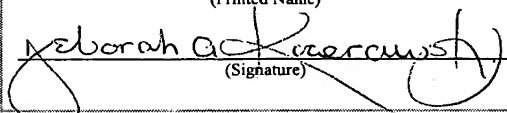
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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
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Submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449 is a listing of documents known to Applicant in order to comply with Applicant's duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

A copy of each non-U.S. patent document and each non-patent document is being submitted to comply with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98.

The submission of any document herewith, which is not a statutory bar, is not intended as an admission that such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application or that such document is considered material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b). Applicant does not waive any rights to take any action which would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove as a competent reference any document which is determined to be a *prima facie* art reference against the claims of the present application.

**TIMING OF THE DISCLOSURE**

The listed documents are being submitted in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits.

**RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT**

The relevance of the foreign-language document is described in the present specification. An English translation of the foreign-language document is not readily available. However, the absence of such translation does not relieve the PTO from its duty to consider the submitted foreign language document (37 C.F.R. § 1.98 and M.P.E.P. § 609).

Applicant respectfully requests that each listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 609.

The following non-English language reference is listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449:

The abstract of European Document EP 1 307 389 A1 discloses

A closure cap (20) and method of making the same wherein an annular or ring-shaped gasket (32) is injection molded onto the inner surface (23) of a cap shell (22) formed of plastic or metal. The annular or ring-shaped gasket includes radially extending tabs (37,38) integrally formed therewith, one of said tabs (37) being formed at a location wherein the plastic melt is fed to an annular gasket-forming channel (67) in a mold core (52) and another of said tabs (38) being formed at the location wherein plastic melt is discharged from said channel. Preferably, said other tab includes a cold well formation (73) which communicates with the annular gasket through a connecting portion (74) of reduced cross-sectional area with respect to the cross-sectional areas of both the gasket and the cold well formation.

The abstract of European Document EP 1 018 410 B1 discloses:

A row of block-shaped stacks formed by an electrostatic blocking process during a cutting stage, is transported into an intake section of a buffer, and from here it is moved into a leveling section, where it forms a unit with previously supplied stack rows. The unit is moved into a discharge section, and combined with any stack rows already contained in this section. The stack row, which is at the front of the unit in direction of transport, is moved to a processing machine.

The abstract of PCT Document WO 00/15422 discloses:

The invention concerns a holding device for hanging tyre casings substantially vertically, comprising a plurality of supports (1-4, 44-47) distributed about a lifting axis (XX') and capable of resting inside a tyre casing, the supports being radially mobile relative to the lifting axis, said device comprising a system with at least one spring (21, 49-50) exerting a force of radial expansion on the supports, said expansion being capable of being limited by a stop (23, 52). The invention also concerns a method for making tyres wherein said device is used.

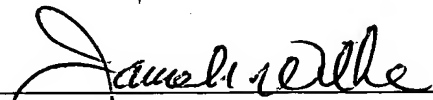
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